



REMARKS

As indicated above, Applicants have elected the invention of Group I and the dipping coating species. Claims 18-24 and 28-35 remain pending for examination. Claims 1-17 were previously withdrawn from examination as indicated in the July 6, 2005 Restriction Requirement, and claims 38-46 are hereby withdrawn from examination as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

New claims 47-50 are identical to claims 25-26 and 36-37, which were canceled in Applicants' March 7, 2005 reply to the July 6, 2005 Restriction Requirement. Applicants respectfully submit that these claims identify coating species that read on the elected invention. Applicants have elected the dipping coating species which is identified by claims 47 and 49, and therefore, respectfully submit that these claims should remain pending for examination. Claims 48 and 50, however, identify a spray drying coating species that, while reading on the elected invention, have not been chosen as the elected species. Applicants, therefore, ask that claims 48 and 50 be withdrawn and be entitled at a later point for consideration if a generic claim is allowed that the claims depend upon.

If the Examiner has any further questions or wishes to address any other matter, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below to advance the prosecution of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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